

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following is a complete listing of the claims indicating the current status of each claim and including amendments currently entered as highlighted.

1-20. (Canceled)

21. (Currently Amended) A device for introducing a chemical supplement to a toilet cistern without having to displace a cover of the toilet cistern, the device comprising:

- (a) ~~a dispensing unit having:~~
  - (i) ~~a releasing mechanism for releasing the chemical supplement into the toilet cistern, said mechanism for disposing within the cistern;~~
- (b) a cartridge for containing the chemical supplement, said cartridge for at least partially disposing within the toilet cistern;
- (c) a housing for receiving said cartridge, said housing associated with said releasing mechanism, said housing for disposing within the toilet ~~cistern; cistern, and~~
- (d) an attachment mechanism for securing the device to a surface of the toilet ~~cistern; cistern, and~~
- (e) a protruding element disposed within said housing, and designed and configured to penetrate said cartridge when said cartridge is disposed in said housing.

22. (Canceled)

23. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 21, wherein said releasing mechanism includes a buoyant plug.

24. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 23, wherein said plug is a bi-directional buoyant plug.

25. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 21, wherein said attachment mechanism includes a fitting that fits around said surface.

26. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 21~~claim 22~~, wherein said cartridge has a structurally-weakened surface, and wherein said protruding element is designed and configured to penetrate said cartridge in a vicinity of said structurally-weakened surface.

27. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 21~~claim 22~~, wherein said releasing mechanism includes a buoyant plug, and wherein said protruding element is disposed on said plug.

28. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 21, wherein said surface of the toilet cistern is disposed on the cover of the cistern.

29. (Withdrawn) The device of claim 21, wherein said surface of the toilet cistern is disposed on a wall of the cistern.

30. (Currently Amended) ~~The device of claim 21,~~

A device for introducing a chemical supplement to a toilet cistern without having to displace a cover of the toilet cistern, the device comprising:

- (a) a releasing mechanism for releasing the chemical supplement into the toilet cistern, said mechanism for disposing within the cistern;
- (b) a cartridge for containing the chemical supplement, said cartridge for at least partially disposing within the toilet cistern;
- (c) a housing for receiving said cartridge, said housing associated with said releasing mechanism, said housing for disposing within the toilet cistern, and
- (d) an attachment mechanism for securing the device to a surface of the toilet cistern.

wherein said cartridge is designed and configured such that at least a portion of said cartridge can pass through an opening in the cover of the toilet cistern, such that the chemical supplement can be introduced to the cistern without having to displace the cover of the cistern.

31. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 30~~claim 21~~, wherein said cartridge is equipped with a handle for facilitating an insertion of said cartridge into said housing, and for securing said cartridge within the cistern.

32. (Currently Amended) ~~The device of claim 21,~~ A device for introducing a chemical supplement to a toilet cistern without having to displace a cover of the toilet cistern, the device comprising:

- (a) a releasing mechanism for releasing the chemical supplement into the toilet cistern, said mechanism for disposing within the cistern;
- (b) a cartridge for containing the chemical supplement, said cartridge for at least partially disposing within the toilet cistern;
- (c) a housing for receiving said cartridge, said housing associated with said releasing mechanism, said housing for disposing within the toilet cistern, and
- (d) an attachment mechanism for securing the device to a surface of the toilet cistern,

wherein said cartridge is equipped with a scent chamber for containing a solid scent for providing a scent to an environment external to the cistern.

33. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 32, wherein said scent chamber has a disposable covering for covering said solid scent, said disposable covering for removing before said solid scent is activated.

34. (Currently Amended) The device of ~~claim 32~~claim 21, wherein a surface within said housing includes a securing mechanism for securing said cartridge thereto.

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35. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 34, wherein said securing mechanism includes a first threaded surface that is complementary to a second threaded surface disposed on said cartridge.

36. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 21, wherein said cartridge includes a container for containing the chemical supplement, and a securing mechanism, at least part of which is disposed on said housing, for securing said container within the cistern, said container being designed and configured to at least partially fit through an opening in a surface of the cistern, and such that said container can be inserted through said opening without having to displace a cover of the toilet cistern.

37. (Previously Presented) The cartridge device of claim 36, wherein said container is designed and configured with respect to said opening such that upon insertion of the device into said opening, the chemical supplement is disposed within the toilet cistern.

38. (Previously Presented) The cartridge device of claim 36, wherein said housing includes a structurally-weakened surface designed and configured such that upon insertion of the device into said opening, said structurally-weakened surface is penetrated by a protruding element within the toilet cistern.

39. (Currently Amended) The cartridge device of claim 36, further comprising:

~~(f)~~(e) a scent chamber, associated with said housing, for containing a solid scent, said chamber designed and configured such that upon insertion of the device into said opening, said chamber is disposed outside the toilet cistern.

40. (Canceled)

41. (New) The device of claim 21, wherein said releasing mechanism is designed and configured to have an open position and a closed position, wherein in said closed position, said releasing mechanism blocks a flow of the chemical supplement into the cistern, and wherein in said open position, said releasing mechanism allows a flow of the chemical supplement into the cistern.

42. (New) The device of claim 30, wherein said releasing mechanism is designed and configured to have an open position and a closed position, wherein in said closed position, said releasing mechanism blocks a flow of the chemical supplement into the cistern, and wherein in said open position, said releasing mechanism allows a flow of the chemical supplement into the cistern.